## SENATE RESOLUTION 130 By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to commend Lauren Patricia Parker for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Patricia Parker is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Rusty Crowe; Ms. Parker's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), where she is highly regarded by her peers, Lauren Patricia Parker has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and Philosophy; and

WHEREAS, participating in numerous extracurricular activities, Ms. Parker has served as a valuable member of MTSU's Mock Trial team, which she also served as Treasurer, the Mediation team, and the Debate squad; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Patricia Parker has evidenced a strong commitment to public service, and she has devoted her time and considerable talents to worthy causes, including Habitat for Humanity, a Rape and Domestic Violence Hotline operator for SAFE, Hoops for Hearts American Red Cross Blood Drive and Food Drive, Angel Tree Toys for Tots Christmas Fundraiser, Race for a Cure Breast Cancer Awareness, the Middle Tennessee Watershed Organization, and READ, which is an Inner City Reading Program; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parker expresses her devout faith as a member of Madison Church of Christ, and she is a member of MTSU Raiders for Christ; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Lauren Patricia Parker is most appreciative of the love and support she receives from her parents, Patricia Read Parker and James Patrick Parker, and her brother, Brennan Parker; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Parker brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2006 legislative session, Ms. Parker has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Patricia Parker has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Lauren Patricia Parker for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Rusty Crowe and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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